Minutes of Regular Meeting
The Board of Trustees
Cedar Hill ISD

A Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees of Cedar Hill ISD was held Monday, August 17, 2026, beginning at 5:30pm in the Cannady Cedar Hill Room
285 Uptown Blvd.
Cedar Hill, Texas 75104.

I.

OPEN SESSION - CALL TO ORDER – 5:30 PM

Announcement by the Board President whether a quorum is present, and that the notice of the meeting has been duly called, and posted in the time and manner required by the Texas Open Meetings Act, Texas Government Code Chapter 551.

The meeting was called to order at 5:30 pm

Board Members Present were: Dr. Lester Singleton, Dr. Jacquetta Haygood, Ramona Ross-Bacon, Carma Morgan, and Ayanna Cabrera-Cook.

Denisha Williams arrived at 5:36 pm

II.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Individuals desiring to address the Board regarding an item on an Agenda for an Open Meeting, or to address the Board on general matters, must submit a completed Public Comment Request Form on the day of the meeting. Forms are available in the lobby area. The correct procedure for addressing the Board during Public Comments is as follows: Each speaker should address the Board from the podium microphone and state his or her name before speaking. All speakers will be limited to three minutes to make comments regarding items on the agenda, or general matters, unless modified by the Board president based on Board Policy BED (LOCAL). Specific factual information or recitation of existing policy may be furnished in response to inquiries, but the Board shall not deliberate or decide regarding any subject that is not included on the agenda posted with notice of the meeting. Copies of presentations should be made available to all trustees and the Superintendent.

There were NO public comments.

III. **REPORTS OF THE SUPERINTENDENT**

A. ACADEMICS REPORT

1. Advanced Placement Scores

   Advanced Placement Scores was presented by Brian Ward

2. STAAR Preliminary Data and Accountability

   STAAR Preliminary Data and Accountability was presented by Brian Ward

3. District Improvement Plan

   District Improvement Plan was presented by Dr. Cherron Montgomery

IV.

CLOSED SESSION - 6:30 PM

The Board may declare itself in a closed meeting as authorized by the Texas

Open Meetings Act, Texas Government Code Sections 551.001-551.146. In the event a closed meeting is to be convened, the presiding officer shall publicly identify the section or sections authorizing the closed meeting. Those sections may include without limitation the following sections under SUBCHAPTERS D AND E, which authorize a closed meeting to discuss the following topics:

A. Section 551.071: For the purpose of private consultation with the Board's attorney regarding pending litigation, a settlement offer, or on a matter in which the duty of the attorney to the District or Board under the Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct of the State Bar of Texas clearly conflicts with the Open Meetings Act.
B. Section 551.072: For the purpose of deliberating on a purchase, exchange, lease, or value of real property, if deliberation in an open meeting would have a detrimental effect on the position of the Board in negotiations with a third person.
C. Section 551.074: For the purpose of deliberating the appointment, employment, reassignment, duties, discipline, or dismissal of a public officer or employee, or to hear a complaint or charge against an officer or employee, unless the officer or employee who is the subject of the deliberation or hearing requests an open hearing.
D. Section 551.076: For the purpose of deliberations regarding the deployment, or specific occasions of implementation, of security personnel or devices, or security audits.
E. Section 551.0821: To discuss specific personal identifying information about a student.

The Board adjourned into closed session at 6:29 pm

V. DECLARE CLOSED SESSION ENDED & RECONVENE IN OPEN SESSION - 7:30 PM

The Board reconvened into open session at 7:24 pm

VI. OPENING CEREMONY

A. Welcome from Board President
B. Pledges

Pledges were led by the Board of Trustees

C. Prayer

Prayer was led by Dr. Lester Singleton

D. Values, Mission, Vision, and Motto

Read by Principal Elexter Maxson

VII. COMMUNICATIONS

A. RECOGNITIONS

1. Leadership TASB Master Trustee Recognition

Leadership TASB Alumni Ty G. Jones recognized Board Member Denisha Williams for completing the Leadership TASB Class of 2026 and earning the designation of Master Trustee

B. INTRODUCTIONS

1. Plummer Elementary Principal

Elexter Maxson was presented as Principal for Plummer Elementary

VIII. REPORTS OF THE SUPERINTENDENT (CONTINUED FROM 5:30 PM SESSION)

IX. BOARD DISCUSSION

A. Summer Leadership Institute

Summer Leadership Institute presented by Trustee Dr. Denise Roache-Davis

B. Board Operating Procedures

Board Operating Procedures presented by Trustee Dr. Denise Roache-Davis

X. **ACTION ITEMS**

A. Consider Approving the 2026-2027 Tax Rate

Ayanna Cabrera-Cook made a motion to approve the 2026-2027 Tax Rate. Ramona Ross-Bacon seconded the motion.

- ***Dr. Denise Roache-Davis voted – yes***
- ***Ramona Ross-Bacon voted – yes***
- ***Carma Morgan voted – yes***
- ***Dr. Jacquetta Haygood voted – yes***
- ***Ayanna Cabrera-Cook voted – yes***
- ***Dr. Lester Singleton voted - yes***
- ***Denishea Williams voted – yes***
- ***The motion passed 7-0 all in favor***

B. Consider Approving an Agreement for the Purchase of Attendance Credit and to Delegate Contractual Authority to the Superintendent

Dr. Jacquetta made a motion to approve for the 2026-2027 school year, we delegated contractual authority to obligate the school district under Texas Education Code(TEC) §11.1511(c)(4) to the superintendent, solely for the purpose of obligating the district under TEC, §48.257 and TEC, Chapter 49, Subchapters A and D, and the rules adopted by the commissioner of education as authorized under TEC, 49.006. This included approval of the Agreement for the Purchase of Attendance Credit or the Agreement for the Purchase of Attendance Credit (Netting Chapter 48 Funding). Carma Morgan seconded the motion.

- ***Dr. Denise Roache-Davis voted – yes***
- ***Ramona Ross-Bacon voted – yes***
- ***Carma Morgan voted – yes***
- ***Dr. Jacquetta Haygood voted – yes***
- ***Ayanna Cabrera-Cook voted – no***
- ***Dr. Lester Singleton voted - yes***
- ***Denishea Williams voted – yes***
- ***The motion passed 6-1***

C. Consider Approving Certification of Compliance

Ramona Ross-Bacon made a motion to approve the 2026-2027 Tax Rate. Ayanna Cabrera-Cook seconded the motion.

- ***Dr. Denise Roache-Davis voted – yes***
- ***Ramona Ross-Bacon voted – yes***
- ***Carma Morgan voted – yes***
- ***Dr. Jacquetta Haygood voted – yes***
- ***Ayanna Cabrera-Cook voted – yes***
- ***Dr. Lester Singleton voted - yes***
- ***Denishea Williams voted – yes***
- ***The motion passed 7-0 all in favor***

D. Consider Approving Amendment to Board Operating Procedures

Carma Morgan made a motion to In addition to the duties required by lasw, the Secretary of the Board shall: Sign, coutersign, or attest Board –approved contracts, legal documents, warrants, vouchers, and reports as required by law, Board policy or offical action of the Board. Dr. Lester Singleton seconded.

- ***Dr. Denise Roache-Davis voted – no***
- ***Ramona Ross-Bacon voted – no***
- ***Carma Morgan voted – yes***
- ***Dr. Jacquetta Haygood voted – no***
- ***Ayanna Cabrera-Cook voted – no***
- ***Dr. Lester Singleton voted - abstained***
- ***Denishea Williams voted – no***
- ***The motion did not passed 1 yes – 1 abstain – 5 no***

E. Considering Approving Summer Leadership Institute Attendance Location

Ramona Ross-Bacon made a motion to approve attending Summer Leadership Institute in Grapevine, TX on June 23-26, 2027. Ayanna Cabrera-Cook seconded the motion.

- ***Dr. Denise Roache-Davis voted – yes***
- ***Ramona Ross-Bacon voted – yes***
- ***Carma Morgan voted – yes***
- ***Dr. Jacquetta Haygood voted – yes***
- ***Ayanna Cabrera-Cook voted – yes***
- ***Dr. Lester Singleton voted - yes***
- ***Denishea Williams voted – yes***
- ***The motion passed 7-0 all in favor***

XI. CONSENT AGENDA FOR APPROVAL

A. Consider Approving the Meeting Minutes from the July 20, 2026 Regular Board Meeting and August 1, 2026 Called Meeting

B. Approval of T-TESS Appraisers

Ramona Ross-Bacon made a motion to approve Consent agenda items A & B. Dr. Jacquetta Haygood seconded.

- ***Dr. Denise Roache-Davis voted – yes***
- ***Ramona Ross-Bacon voted – yes***
- ***Carma Morgan voted – yes***
- ***Dr. Jacquetta Haygood voted – yes***
- ***Ayanna Cabrera-Cook voted – yes***
- ***Dr. Lester Singleton voted - yes***
- ***Denishea Williams voted – yes***

The motion passed 7-0 all in favor

XII. ROUTINE MONTHLY REPORTS

A. Financial Statements

B. Report on Purchases Made Through a Cooperative Purchasing Program over $50,000

C. Enrollment and Attendance

XIII. **BOARD PRESIDENT'S ANNOUNCEMENTS**

A. Trustee Campus Highlights

Carma Morgan Highlighted Wateford Oaks

Denishea Williams highlighted Cedar Hill High School

XIV. **SUPERINTENDENT'S ANNOUNCEMENTS**

XV. **ADJOURNMENT**

Denishea Williams moved to adjourn the meeting, Ayanna Cabrera-Cook seconded.

All in favor

The meeting adjourned at 8:20pm

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Dr. Denise Roache-Davis, Board of Trustees President Date

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Denishea Williams, Board of Trustees Secretary Date